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Serial No. 09/421,275

Filed: October 20, 1999

For: INFORMATION RELAY DEVICE AND METHOD WITH MULTICAST
PROTOCOL CONVERSION FUNCTION AND INFORMATION
NETWORK SYSTEM USING THE SAME

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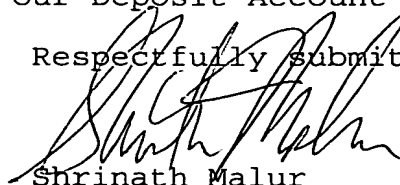
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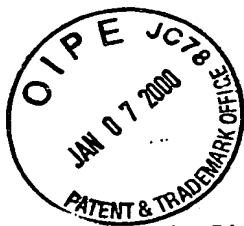
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